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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Contract Research & Development (M) Sdn. Bhd. and David John Tadgell  
Serial No.: Not yet assigned  
Filing date: Herewith  
For: USE OF VEGETATIVE MATERIAL AS A FILLER IN COMPOSITE MATERIALS  
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**STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF  
DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98**

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicants request consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

**PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97**

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with a National Application. No fee or certification is required.

**PART II: - Information Cited**

The Applicants hereby make of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

The Applicants hereby make the following additional information of record in the above-identified application:

The Examiner's attention is hereby drawn to the International Search Report mailed February 6, 2001 in PCT Application PCT/AU00/00018, filed January 17, 2000, which corresponds the patent application filed herewith.

**PART III: Remarks**

A copy of each of the above-identified information is enclosed unless otherwise indicated on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
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3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

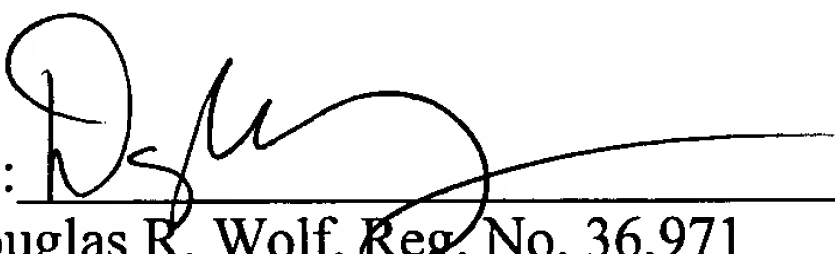
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Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicants, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information. An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	2	3988270	10/26/76	Willis, Jr. et al.	260	17.4	
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	8	WO 92/00251	01/09/92	Mehta	C04B	07/02	
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#### OTHER ART

(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Publication, Etc.)

	10	International Search Report from International Patent Application PCT/AU 00/00018, filed January 17, 2000.
	11	Australian Patent Abstract, AU-A-68923/94, 07/13/95, Pagden
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	15	BE 1000901 A, De Neef, 05/09/89, Derwent Abstract 89-145267

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